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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROSHI YOSHINO ✓)
Application No.: 09/699,387 ✓)
Filed: October 31, 2000 ✓)
For: INK JET APPARATUS AND ✓)
WASTE LIQUID ✓)
ABSORBING METHOD)
Examiner: M. Nghiem ✓
Group Art Unit: 2861 ✓
September 28, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 28, 2001 for three months from June 28, 2001 to September 28, 2001.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$890.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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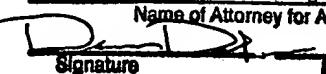
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Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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